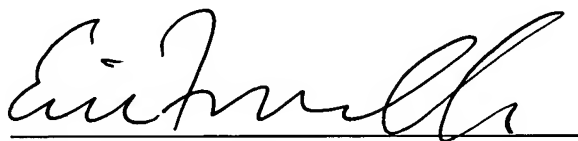


## Remarks

Claims 12-22 are pending in this application. Applicants have canceled claims 1-11, which were submitted under Article 19 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and attached to the International Preliminary Report On Patentability, and presented new claims 12-22 to delete multiple dependencies to reduce the filing fee. Applicants have also rewritten the claims to delete reference characters. The present invention is not limited to any particular embodiment shown in the figures or described in the specification. Furthermore, Applicants have rewritten the claims to bring them more in line with standard U.S. format. Applicants have also submit herewith on a separate sheet an abstract of the disclosure.

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